

The Central Appalachian Astronomy Club CAAC held its regular meeting on November 14th at the CAAC Observatory in Jane Lew, WV with 15 in attendance.

CAAC President Joe Gonzales convened the meeting.

Minutes from the August meeting were distributed and accepted on a motion by John Taylor, seconded by Brenda Davisson.

Treasurer Jeri Booher presented the financial report which was accepted on a motion by Janice King, seconded by John.

Those present discussed the cost of Star Quest ads in the Reflector magazine. John advised our grant request to Dominion for CAAC has been denied. Our request for Star Quest funding is pending and he also has a grant request prepared for Astronomy Day. He will also check with Mylan regarding grant funding.

Star Quest 13:

Joe will get figures for the cost of brochures to be sent out to astronomy clubs.

Discussed Project Breakthrough Listen, funded by Russian philanthropist and co-founded by Stephen Hawking.

Proposed speakers: Wednesday- David Davisson- SOFIA. Thursday- Michelle Shinn. Friday- Indy Kochte. Saturday- Breakthrough Listen (Joe will contact SueAnn for a possible speaker).

Old Business:

The GPS on the CAAC big scope is not working. Joe will contact Meade. May have been from an earlier lightning strike.

Rodney Waugh reported on KVAS Blackwater weekend.

New Business:

Astronomy Day scheduled for April 23rd, 2016.

Miscellaneous:

Our December meeting and Christmas Party is scheduled for December 5th at the observatory. Main course will be ham.

Motion to adjourn was made by Janice, seconded by Brenda.